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BOARD MEETING

August 4-5, 1988

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LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION  
BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA  
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MINUTES OF MEETING OF  
LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION

August 4-5, 1988

Vice-Chairman Don Hines presiding:

Thursday, August 4, 1988

Jack Cappel, Jr.  
James Jenkins  
Norman McCall  
Warren Pol  
Dale Vinet

Vice-Chairman Don Hines presiding:

Friday, August 5, 1988

Jack Cappel, Jr.  
James Jenkins  
Warren Pol  
Dale Vinet

Mr. Kell McInnis was present at both meetings.

The minutes of the regular monthly meeting of July 7 & 8, 1988 were unanimously approved at Friday's meeting with a motion from Mr. Jenkins and seconded by Mr. Vinet.

Phil Bowman gave the Oyster Survey Report at Thursday's meeting. During the period of July 1-31, 1988 145 surveys were scheduled, 15 surveys were unable to be done due to bad weather or fishermen unable to meet surveyor. Lease rental collected was \$2,429.10, survey fees collected were \$290.50, two applications were filed, 64 new leases were issued and three surveys were conducted by a private surveyor.

Ron Dugas presented the information concerning the oyster season at Thursday's meeting. Phil Bowman presented a declaration of emergency to set the 1988-89 oyster season and on Friday Mr. Vinet made a motion to accept the resolution, seconded by Mr. Pol and was unanimously passed.

(The full text of the resolution  
is made a part of the record)

WHEREAS, R.S. 56:433 provides that the Public Oyster Seed Grounds may open on September 7, 1988, and

WHEREAS, the oyster resources on the public oyster seed grounds have been surveyed and the available supply and size variation has been determined, and

WHEREAS, it has been customary to rotate the opening of the Oyster Seed Reservation when biologically feasible, and

WHEREAS, the Bay Junop Oyster Seed Resrvation was open during the 87/88 oyster season and was fished extensively, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Public Oyster Ground will open 1/2 hour before sunrise September 7, 1988, and

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED, that the Bay Junop Oyster Seed Reservation will be closed for the 88/89 oyster season on the public grounds, and

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED, that the Bay Gardene and the Sister Lake Oyster Seed Reservations will open 1/2 hour before sunrise on September 7th and remain open until 1/2 hour after sunset September 12th for bedding only, then it will close and re-open 1/2 hour before sunrise on September 21st for both bedding and sacking, and

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED, that the Hackberry Bay Oyster Seed Reservation will open 1/2 hour before sunrise September 7, 1988, for both bedding and sacking, and

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED, that bedding will not be done in sacks or any type of containers, but will consist of shoveling back on the deck of the vessel, and

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED, that the Department's Secretary is authorized to take emergency means, if necessary, to address problems of oyster mortalities or to close areas of significant spat catch with good probability of survival, and

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED, that at this time no managerial action will be taken concerning the Calcasieu and Sabine Lake tonging areas, these seasons will be dealt with at a subsequent Commission meeting.

Phil Bowman presented a declaration of emergency to set the 1988 Fall shrimp season. Phil stated that HB 1387 (Act 893) of the 1988 Legislature gives the Secretary authority to set the shrimp season. On Friday, Mr. Vinet made a motion to accept the resolution, seconded by Mr. Jenkins and was unanimously approved.

(The full text of the resolution  
is made a part of the record)

WHEREAS, R.S. 56:497 and Act 893 provides the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission shall fix no less than two open shrimp seasons each year for all inside waters, and

WHEREAS, Act 893, 1988 states that the shrimp seasons shall be based on biological data, and

WHEREAS, R.S. 49:967 states that the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission may employ the provisions of R.S. 49:953(B) when setting the shrimp season thereby allowing the most recent technical data be considered in determining the opening and closing dates, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission by Emergency Declaration does hereby set the 1988 Fall Inshore White Shrimp Season to open in Shrimp Management Zone 1, 2 and 3 at 6:00 AM on August 15, 1988.

Phil Bowman presented a resolution to ratify modification of provisions relative to menhaden harvesting jurisdiction. On Friday Mr. Vinet made a motion to accept the resolution, seconded by Dr. Cappel and was unanimously approved.

(The full text of the resolution  
is made a part of the record)

WHEREAS, the Gulf State-Federal Fisheries Management Board and the Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commission have developed a coordinated management plan for menhaden in the Gulf of Mexico, and

WHEREAS, this management plan has recommended a uniform season for the taking of Gulf Menhaden, and

WHEREAS, fishery scientists with Louisiana State University conducting research on the menhaden fishery have reported that extension of the menhaden season could jeopardize the menhaden stocks, and

WHEREAS, the Gulf State-Federal Fisheries Management Board and the Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commission upon request of the Menhaden Advisory Commission have unanimously recommended that no menhaden be landed outside the existing framework, and

WHEREAS, the provisions of the Administrative Procedures Act have been met, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby amend and re-enact the following rules for the taking of menhaden.

Phil Bowman gave the Seismic Report at Thursday's meeting for July 1-31, 1988. During this period 1 crew applied for a permit to work, 37 crews received notifications for work, 35 crews were working during the month, no work was cancelled and 1 crew renewed or applied for bond to work. The monthly collection was \$134,004.51.

Hugh Bateman presented a resolution to ratify the goose creeping regulation. Mr. McCall made a motion to approve the ratification of the resolution, seconded by Mr. Jenkins and was passed unanimously.

(The full text of the resolution  
is made a part of the record)

WHEREAS, the method of taking geese known as "goose creeping" oftentimes results in the overbagging and/or excessive crippling loss of geese, and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service establishes regulations for taking migratory birds, and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission may adopt more restrictive regulations than those presented by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and

WHEREAS, it is the constitutional responsibility of the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to protect, conserve and enact regulations designed to protect and conserve wildlife, and

WHEREAS, the "goose creeping" regulation that was in effect for the 1987-88 waterfowl season proved to be an effective deterrent, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that on August 4, 1988 the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby ratify the regulations prohibiting the method of goose hunting known as "goose creeping".

The Law Enforcement Report was presented by Winton Vidrine for the month of July at Thursday's meeting. It was brought out that four boats were confiscated and more of this would be done to try to stop violators.

The annual boating safety report was given by Charlie Clark. The report covered fatalities, injuries, budget problems and obstacles which must be overcome such as providing more dedicated personnel, provide training, more alcohol detection teams, instill accredited boating education program into every high school, rectify existing boating laws and to fully organize and create a standard of training and cooperation with all local entities involved in boating safety. A list of equipment was given including repair and maintenance of patrol fleet and continued education of field officers.

A report on the alligator farming program was given by Ted Joanen at Thursday's meeting. He stated that the alligator research began in the late 1950's to generate information and try to solve problems because of a low alligator population. He also mentioned that more research needs to be done with adult alligators.

Johnnie Tarver presented the alligator harvest program quotas for the 1988-89 season at Thursday's meeting. The season was approved at the July meeting and no action was necessary.

Johnnie Tarver also presented a Notice of Intent for the Fur Harvest Season for 1988-89 which was unanimously approved with a motion from Dr. Cappel and seconded by Mr. Pol.

(The full text of the Notice of Intent  
is made a part of the record)

The fur industry of Louisiana is the result of a major wildlife resource and provides supplement income for many of the citizens of our state; and as this resource is a renewable natural one, which has proven under wise management to increase in importance; annual harvest of the surplus animals is in keeping with sound wildlife management principles.

The creation of a north and south trapping zone continues to allow for the most efficient harvest of prime furbearers in these two diverse habitat types within the state. Therefore, the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries does hereby establish the 1988-89 furbearer trapping season for the south zone as being December 1, 1988, through February 28, 1989. After carefully considering the market situation for some upland species, especially the raccoon, the Department, in an attempt to provide more opportunity for trapping of bobcat and fox after deer hunting seasons are closed does hereby establish the 1988-89 furbearer trapping season for the north zone as November 20, 1988, through February 15, 1989, with the addition of an experimental season from February 16, 1989, through March 15, 1989, with trapping techniques restricted to the use of Soft-Catch traps (padded jaw traps) or their equivalent. The Department Secretary shall be authorized to close or extend the trapping season in any portion of the state as biologically justifiable.

Federal restrictions imposed by the CITES Scientific Authority for otter and bobcat furs continue to require placement of an export tag prior to out-of-state shipment. The regulations governing the buying, tagging and shipment of bobcat and otter pelts adopted for the 1988-89 trapping season may be viewed at the 2000 Quail Drive, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70808 504/765-2344.

Greg Linscombe presented a status report which included a slide series on the Fur and Alligator Advisory Council at Thursday's meeting.

A discussion was held concerning the prohibition of out-of-state shipment of alligator hatchlings under four feet. As a result of that discussion a resolution was approved with a motion from Mr. Jenkins and seconded by Mr. Vinet.

(The full text of the resolution  
is made a part of the record)

WHEREAS, SCR 236 and HCR 235 have urged and requested the Commission to prohibit the out-of-state shipment of alligator hatchlings, and

WHEREAS, this Commission has entertained public comment and technical and legal advice on this issue, and

WHEREAS, the Commission does recognize that its permits/agreements under which eggs and hatchlings are supplied to private farmers from Rockefeller Refuge and other state property were issued for the establishment and furtherance of the alligator industry in the state of Louisiana, and

WHEREAS, the same is true of its permits/agreements wherein the Department does not provide eggs or hatchlings but does provide certain services such as collection and incubation, and

WHEREAS, the Commission further recognizes the need to take any and all measures necessary to protect this once endangered and now important species, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that this Commission does hereby proclaim that any and all out-of-state shipment of hatchlings or young alligators under four feet in length is prohibited, now

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Commission does hereby direct the staff to send letters to this effect to all such permittees as soon as possible.

As a result of Mr. McCall's request at the last meeting a discussion was held with regard to Steeds Shrimp House as a possible outlet for selling licences. Bettsie Baker responded that among other problems with this there are legal restrictions and audit requirements established by the legislative auditors' office that would make the provision of these services impossible at this time.

The September meeting date was set for Thursday and Friday, September 8-9, 1988 at the Quail Drive office Baton Rouge.

Hugh Bateman presented a resolution at Thursday's meeting to set the seasons for dove and other migratory species including waterfowl. This was approved with a motion from Mr. Pol and seconded by Mr. Jenkins. On Friday some changes had to be made which included shooting hours, eliminating the point system and a three bird bag limit with first seven days of season, one pintail, last seven days of season, one pintail drake and no pintails during the rest of the season. This was also unanimously approved with a motion from Mr. Pol and seconded by Mr. Jenkins.

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is made a part of the record)

WHEREAS, Hugh A. Bateman of the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries has attended public hearings in Washington, D. C. on dove and other migratory species including waterfowl, and

WHEREAS, the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service has established basic frameworks for the hunting of migratory birds, and

WHEREAS, the results of meetings held in Washington were discussed with the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission, and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries staff has presented recommendations for dove and other migratory species including waterfowl hunting seasons, bag limits and shooting hours, and



WHEREAS, it is the constitutional responsibility of the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to establish hunting seasons for migratory birds within the constraints of the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service framework, and

WHEREAS, the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service must have Louisiana's selections prior to August 10, 1988, and

WHEREAS, there is not sufficient time to go through normal Administrative Procedure Act and it is necessary to adopt an Emergency Rule, and

WHEREAS, the Director of the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service may make additional adjustments in these proposed regulations, the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission authorizes the Secretary of the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries to react to and approve any changes that would be appropriate, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby adopt the season dates, bag limits and shooting hours by a Declaration of Emergency, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that these season dates, bag limits and shooting hours will have the full force of law for 120 days and normal requirements of the Administrative Procedure Act will be met to extend these season dates, bag limits and shooting hours beyond the 120 days.

Bettsie Baker gave the Commission an update on the status of the new building and she mentioned that the dedication would be sometime in October.

Bob Dennie reminded everyone that National Hunting and Fishing Day is Saturday, September 24, 1988. This day is celebrated at the Wadill Tract on Flannery Road in Baton Rouge. The Department also takes part in the Hunting and Fishing Day activities in Minden and Monroe.

At the last Commission meeting, it was suggested that a Deer Management Task Force be formed. Jerry Farrar reported that the Task Force will have its first meeting on Wednesday, September 14th at 7:00 PM at the Quail Drive office in Baton Rouge. A Wildlife and Fisheries Commission member will be one of the members of the Task Force.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 Friday with a motion from Mr. Jenkins and seconded by Mr. Vinet.

## RESOLUTION

### MENHADEN SEASON

Adopted by the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission at its regular meeting on August 5, 1988.

WHEREAS, the Gulf State-Federal Fisheries Management Board and the Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commission have developed a coordinated management plan for menhaden in the Gulf of Mexico, and

WHEREAS, this management plan has recommended a uniform season for the taking of Gulf Menhaden, and

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WHEREAS, the provisions of the Administrative Procedures Act have been met, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby amend and re-enact the following rules for the taking of menhaden.

#### LOUISIANA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE

##### TITLE 76

##### WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES

##### Part VII. Fish and Other Aquatic Life

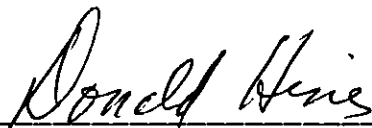
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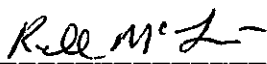
#### 307. Menhaden Season

- A. The season for the taking of menhaden as well as processing of menhaden shall be from the third Monday in April through the Friday following the second Tuesday in October.
- B. No menhaden may be landed in Louisiana ports except during the menhaden season as described in L.A.C. 76:VII-307.A.
- C. The menhaden season shall apply to all waters seaward of the inside-outside line described in R.S. 56:495 including waters in the Federal Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ), and in Breton and Chandeleur Sounds as described

in Paragraph D. All other inside waters and passes are permanently closed to menhaden fishing.

- D. For purposes of the menhaden season Breton and Chandeleur Sounds are described as that portion of the statutorily described inside waters beginning at the most northerly point on the south side of Taylor Pass at Lat. 89 23'18" 476 N. (Y-268,131.65), Long. 89 19'00" 803 W. (X-2,642,161.69). Thence run N. 32 32' W. for 8-3/4 miles to a horizontal tank battery located in the vicinity of Battledore Reef and east of Little Battledore Island; thence run N. 30 47' E. for 11 miles to the Mississippi River Gulf Outlet Channel at a lighted privately maintained marker known as Station "69-A" and "70-A"; thence N. 16 10' E. for 8-1/2 miles to Point Chicot Light; thence N. 20 10' E. for 13-1/2 miles to Mitchell Key Light; thence N. 35 47' E. for 19 miles to a point intersecting the Lower Mississippi Valley Division Line Lat. 30 06' N., Long. 80 52' W., thence southerly 71 E. for 5 miles to Chandeleur Light, thence southeasterly running along the present inside-outside water line as described in R.S. 56:495 to the point of origin.

  
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Dr. Donald Hines, Vice-Chairman  
LA Wildlife & Fisheries Commission

  
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Kell McInnis, Deputy Secretary  
LA Dept. Wildlife & Fisheries

## RULE

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LA Wildlife & Fisheries Commission

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Kell McInnis, Deputy Secretary  
LA Dept. Wildlife & Fisheries

Resolution

Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission  
Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries  
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WHEREAS, the Director of the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service may make additional adjustments in these proposed regulations, the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission authorizes the Secretary of the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries to react to and approve any changes that would be appropriate, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby adopt the season dates, bag limits and shooting hours by a Declaration of Emergency and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that these season dates, bag limits and shooting hours will have the full force of law for 120 days and normal requirements of the Administrative Procedures Act will be met to extend these season dates, bag limits and shooting hours beyond the 120 days.

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Dr. Don Hines, Vice Chairman.  
La. Wildlife and Fisheries  
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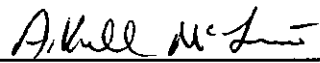
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THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that on this date, August 5, 1988, the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby adopt the season dates, bag limits and shooting hours and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that these dates, bag limits, and shooting hours will be forwarded to the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service as Louisiana's 1988-89 Migratory Bird Hunting Regulations.

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Dr. Don Hines, Vice Chairman  
La. Wildlife and Fisheries  
Commission

  
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Kell McInnis, Deputy Secretary  
La. Department of Wildlife and  
Fisheries

Declaration of Emergency  
Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries  
Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

In accordance with the emergency provisions of R.S. 49:953(B) and 49:967 of the Administrative Procedures Act and under authority of R.S. 56:115, the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission at it's regular scheduled meeting on August 5, 1988 in Baton Rouge, Louisiana adopted the following hunting seasons, bag limits, and shooting hours for migratory birds:

Dove:

September 3-11

October 15-November 13

December 10-January 9

The daily bag limit is 12 with a possession limit after opening day of 24.

Snipe:

November 12-February 26

The daily bag limit is 8 with a possession limit after opening day of 16.

Woodcock:

December 10-February 12

The daily bag limit is 5 with a possession limit after opening day of 10.

Rail:

November 19-January 20

The daily bag limit is 15 Clapper and King in the aggregate and a possession limit of 30 after opening day; 25 Sora and Virginia in aggregate and possession limit is the daily bag limit.

Gallinule:

November 19-January 20

The daily bag limit is 15 with a possession limit of 30 after opening day.

Ducks and Coots:

West Zone:

Nov. 19-Dec. 4

Dec. 26-Jan. 8

East Zone:

Nov. 19-Nov. 27

Dec. 19-Jan. 8

Duck Limits:

The daily bag limit of ducks is 3, and may include no more than 2 mallards (no more than 1 of which may be a female), 1 black duck, 2 wood ducks, and 1 redhead. The first 7 days of the season, 1 pintail of either-sex may be taken and the last 7 days of the season 2 male pintails may be taken. No pintails may be taken during the remainder of the season. Canvasback may not be taken at any time.

Merganser Limits:

The daily bag limit of mergansers is 5, only 1 of which may be a hooded merganser. The possession limit is 10, only 2 of which may be hooded mergansers.

Coot Limits:

The daily bag and possession limits of coots are 15 and 30, respectively.



Species	Season Dates	Daily Bag Limit	Possession Limit
Geese	Nov. 19-Dec. 7	*	*
(West Zone)	Dec. 26-Feb. 14	*	*
Geese	Nov. 19-Jan. 27	*	*
(East Zone)		*	*

\*The daily bag limit is 5 in the aggregate of Blue, Snow, or White-fronted geese of which not more than two (2) may be white-fronted. Possession limit is twice the daily bag limit.

Shooting Hours:

Dove: One-half hour before sunrise to sunset; EXCEPT on the opening weekend of each split (Sept. 3-4, Oct. 15-16, and Dec. 10-11) when shooting hours will be 12:00 Noon until sunset.

Woodcock and Snipe: One-half hour before sunrise to sunset.

All other migratory birds: Sunrise to sunset.

## RECOMMENDED FRAMEWORKS

1988-89 hunting seasons for waterfowl, coots, and gallinules; and common snipe in the Pacific Flyway.

### GENERAL

**Split Season:** States in all Flyways may split their season for ducks, geese or brant into two segments. States in the Atlantic and Central Flyways may, in lieu of zoning, split their season for ducks or geese into three segments. Exceptions are noted in appropriate sections.

**Shooting Hours:** From one-half hour before sunrise to sunset daily, for all species and seasons, including falconry seasons.

**Point System:** Selection of the point system for any State entirely within a flyway must be on a statewide basis, except if New York selects the point system, conventional regulations may be retained for the Long Island Area. New York may not select the point system within the Upstate zoning option, and Massachusetts, Pennsylvania and Vermont may not select the point system pending completion of zoning studies.

**Deferred Season Selections:** States that did not select rail, woodcock, snipe, sandhill cranes, common moorhens and purple gallinules and sea duck seasons in July should do so at the time they make their waterfowl selections.

Frameworks for open seasons and season lengths, bag and possession limit options, and other special provisions are listed below by Flyway.

### MISSISSIPPI FLYWAY

The Mississippi Flyway includes Alabama, Arkansas, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Louisiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Ohio, Tennessee and Wisconsin.

#### Ducks, Coots, and Mergansers

**Outside Dates:** Between October 8, 1988, and January 8, 1989, in all States.

**Hunting Season:** Not more than 30 days.

**Canvasbacks:** The season on canvasbacks is closed.

**Limits:** The daily bag limit of ducks is 3, and may include no more than 2 mallards (no more than 1 of which may be a female), 1 black duck, 2 wood ducks (except as noted below), 1 pintail, and 1 redhead. The possession limit is 6, including no more than 4 mallards (no more than 2 of which may be females), 2 black ducks, 4 wood ducks (except as noted below), 2 pintails, and 2 redheads.

**Merganser Limits:** The daily bag limit of mergansers is 5, only 1 of which may be a hooded merganser. The possession limit is 10, only 2 of which may be hooded mergansers.

**Coot Limits:** The daily bag and possession limits of coots are 15 and 30, respectively.

**Point-System Option:** As an alternative to conventional bag limits for ducks, point-system bag and possession limits may be selected within the framework dates prescribed. Point values for species and sexes taken are as follows: the female mallard, black duck and pintail count 100 points each; the male mallard, redhead, wood duck (except as noted below) and hooded merganser count 70 points each; the green-winged teal, wigeon, gadwall, shoveler, and mergansers (except hooded merganser) count 25 points each; the blue-winged teal, scaup, and all other species of ducks count 35 points each. The daily bag limit is reached when the point value of the last bird taken, added to the sum of the point values of the other birds already taken during that day, reaches or exceeds 100 points. The possession limit is the maximum number of birds that legally could have been taken in 2 days.

**Coot Limits--Point System:** Coots have a point value of zero, but the daily bag and possession limits are 15 and 30, respectively, as under the conventional limits.

# 1988-89 Season

## Migratory Birds Other Than Waterfowl

	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Days</u>	<u>Daily Bag Limit</u>	
<u>Doves</u>	Sept. 3-11	9	12	24
	Oct. 15-Nov. 13	30	12	24
	Dec. 10-Jan. 9	31	12	24
		70 Total		
<u>Rails</u>	Nov. 19-Jan. 20	63	King & Clapper	15
			Virginia & Sora	25
<u>Gallinules</u>	Nov. 19-Jan. 20	63	15	30
<u>Snipe</u>	Nov. 12-Feb. 26	107	8	16
<u>Woodcock</u>	Dec. 10-Feb. 12	65	5	10

## Shooting Hours

1. Doves: Noon to sunset Sept. 3-4, Oct. 15-16, and Dec. 10-11; the remainder of the season 1/2 hour before sunrise to sunset.
2. Rails, gallinules, snipe, and woodcock: 1/2 hour before sunrise to sunset.

## Ducks

### West Zone

Nov. 19 (Sat.)-Dec. 4 (Sun.)-16 days  
Dec. 26 (Mon.)-Jan. 8 (Sun.)-14 days

### East Zone

Nov. 19 (Sat.)-Nov. 27 (Sun.)-9 days  
Dec. 19 (Mon.)-Jan. 8 (Sun.)-21 days

## Geese

Nov. 19 (Sat.)-Dec. 7 (Wed.)-19 days  
Dec. 26 (Mon.)-Feb. 14 (Tues.)-51 days

Nov. 19 (Sat.)-Jan. 27 (Fri.)-70 days

## Rails and Gallinules

Nov. 19 (Sat.)-Jan. 20 (Fri.)-63 days

## POINT SCHEDULE FOR DUCKS

### 25 Points

Green-winged Teal  
Gadwall  
Wigeon  
Shoveler  
Red-Breasted Merganser  
American Merganser

### 35 Points

Blue-winged Teal  
Scaup  
Mottled Duck  
Ring-necked Duck  
All other Ducks not listed

### 70 Points

Redhead  
Mallard Drake  
Hooded Merganser  
Wood Duck

### 100 Points

Pintail  
Mallard Hen  
Black Duck

Resolution

Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission  
Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries  
August 4, 1988

WHEREAS, Hugh A. Bateman of the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries has attended public hearings in Washington, D.C. on dove and other migratory species including waterfowl and

WHEREAS, the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service has established basic frameworks for the hunting of migratory birds and

WHEREAS, the results of meetings held in Washington were discussed with the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries staff has presented recommendations for dove and other migratory species including waterfowl hunting seasons, bag limits and shooting hours and


WHEREAS, it is the constitutional responsibility of the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to establish hunting seasons for migratory birds within the constraints of the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service framework, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that on this date, August 4, 1988, the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby adopt the season dates, bag limits and shooting hours and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that these dates will be forwarded to the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service as regulations set for Louisiana's 1988-89 Migratory Bird Hunting Regulations.

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Dr. Don Hines, Vice Chairman  
La. Wildlife and Fisheries  
Commission

  
Kell McInnis, Deputy Secretary  
La. Department of Wildlife and  
Fisheries

BLACK INK - Thurs 8/4

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AGENDA  
LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION  
BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA  
August 4-5, 1988

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VII -03
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W. 15 days - Dec 4  
Dec - 26 - Jan 8  
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Dec 19 - Jan 8

Nov 19

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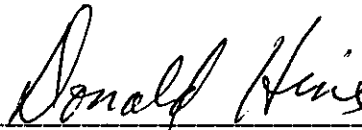
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NOTICE OF INTENT

LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION

The Secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries does hereby give notice in accordance with the Administrative Procedures Act that she intends to open the 1988 Fall White Shrimp Season in Shrimp Management Zones 1, 2 and 3 at 6:00 a.m. on August 15, 1988.

Interested persons may submit written or verbal comments or inquiries to William S. "Corky" Perret, Administrator, Seafood Division, Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, P. O. Box 98000, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70898-9000.



Dr. Donald Hines, Vice-Chairman  
LA Wildlife & Fisheries Commission

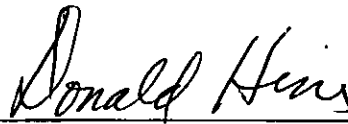


Kell McInnis, Deputy Secretary  
LA Dept. Wildlife & Fisheries

NOTICE OF INTENT

The Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Commission here by publishes their intent to set the 1988/89 oyster season for 1/2 hour before sunrise September 7, 1988.

Under Revised Statute 56:433, the Public Oyster Grounds under the managerial control of the Department should open on the 1st Wednesday following Labor Day and this season should run through April 1st of the following year. There are however; different provisions (R.S.56:435.1) for the public tonging reefs in the Calcasieu/Sabine Lake areas. Under R.S. 56:433 and 434; however, there are provisions for managerial decisions allowing for variation in season and areas dependent upon the oyster supply. After completion of the annual survey of the oyster grounds in June, the commission is now prepared to propose the 1988/89 oyster season.



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La. Wildlife & Fisheries Commission



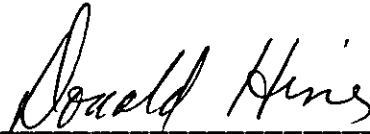
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Kell McInnis, Deputy Secretary  
La. Wildlife & Fisheries Commission



DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY  
WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION

In accordance with the emergency provisions of R.S. 49:953(b), the Administrative Procedures Act, R.S. 49:967 which allows the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to use emergency procedures to set shrimp seasons and pursuant to R.S. 56:497 and Act 1988 No. 893, the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby set the 1988 Fall Inshore White Shrimp Season to open in Shrimp Management Zones 1, 2 and 3 at 6:00 a.m. on August 15, 1988.



Dr. Donald Hines, Vice-Chairman  
LA Wildlife & Fisheries Commission



Kell McInnis, Deputy Secretary  
LA Dept. Wildlife & Fisheries

RESOLUTION

1988 Fall Inshore Shrimp Season  
adopted by the  
Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission  
August 5, 1988 - Baton Rouge, Louisiana

WHEREAS, R. S. 56:497 and Act 1988 No. 893 provides the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission shall fix no less than two open shrimp seasons each year for all inside waters, and

WHEREAS, Act 1988 No. 893 states the shrimp seasons shall be based on biological data, and

WHEREAS, R. S. 49:967 states that the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission may employ the provisions of R. S. 49:953(B) when setting the shrimp season thereby allowing the most recent technical data be considered in determining the opening and closing dates,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission by Emergency Declaration does hereby set the 1988 Fall Inshore White Shrimp Season to open in Shrimp Management Zone 1, 2 and 3 at 6:00 a.m. on August 15, 1988.



Dr. Donald Hines, Vice-Chairman  
LA Wildlife & Fisheries Commission



Kell McInnis, Deputy Secretary  
LA Dept. of Wildlife & Fisheries

RESOLUTION 88/89 OYSTER SEASON PUBLIC GROUNDS

Adopted by the Louisiana Wildlife & Fisheries Commission at its regular meeting August 5, 1988

WHEREAS, R.S.56:433 Provides that the "Public Oyster Seed Grounds" may open on September 7, 1988.

WHEREAS, the oyster resources on the public oyster seed grounds have been surveyed and the available supply and size variation has been determined, and

WHEREAS, it has been customary to rotate the opening of the "Oyster Seed Reservation" when biologically feasible, and

WHEREAS, the "Bay Junop Oyster Seed Reservation" was open during the 87/88 Oyster Season and was fished extensively;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the "Public Oyster Ground" will open 1/2 hour before sunrise September 7, 1988; and

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED that the "Bay Junop Oyster Seed Reservation" will be closed for the 88/89 Oyster Season on the Public Grounds; and


BE IT ALSO RESOLVED that the "Bay Gardene and the Sister Lake Oyster Seed Reservations" will open 1/2 hour before sunrise on September 7th and remain open until 1/2 hour after sunset September 12th for bedding only, then it will close and re-open 1/2 hour before sunrise on September 21st for both bedding and sacking, and


BE IT ALSO RESOLVED that the "Hackberry Bay Oyster Seed Reservation" will open 1/2 hr before sunrise September 7, 1988, for both bedding and sacking and

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED that bedding will not be done in sacks or any type of containers, but will consist of shoveling back on the deck of the vessel, and

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED that the Department's Secretary is authorized to take emergency means if necessary to address problems of oyster mortalities or to close areas of significant spat catch with good probability of survival, and

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED that at this time no managerial action will be taken concerning the Calcasieu and Sabine Lake tonging areas, these seasons will be dealt with at a subsequent Commission Meeting.


  
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Dr. Donald Hines  
Vice-Chairman


  
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Kell Mc Innis  
Deputy Secretary

DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY  
WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION

In accordance with the emergency provisions of R. S. 49:953(b), the Administrative Procedures Act, R. S. 49:967 which allows the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to use emergency procedures to set the oyster season and pursuant to R. S. 56:433 does:

1. Hereby set the 1988/89 Oyster Season on the "Public Oyster Ground" to open 1/2 hour before sunrise September 7, 1988, and
2. Closes the "Bay Junop Oyster Seed Reservation" for the 88/89 Oyster Season.
3. Hereby sets the 1988/89 Oyster Season for the "Bay Gardene and the Sister Lake Oyster Seed Reservations" to open 1/2 hour before sunrise on September 7th and remain open until 1/2 hour after sunset September 12th for bedding only, then it will close and re-open 1/2 hour before sunrise on September 21st for both bedding and sacking; and
4. Hereby sets the 1988/89 Oyster Season for the "Hackberry Bay Oyster Seed Reservation" to open 1/2 hour before sunrise September 7, 1988, for both bedding and sacking.

  
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Dr. Donald Hines, Vice-Chairman  
La. Wildlife & Fisheries Commission

  
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Kelli Mc Innis, Deputy Secretary  
La. Wildlife & Fisheries Commission

Resolution

Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries  
Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission  
August 4, 1988

WHEREAS, the method of taking geese known as "goose creeping" often results in the overbagging and/or excessive crippling loss of geese, and

WHEREAS, the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service establishes regulations for taking migratory birds, and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission may adopt more restrictive regulations than those presented by the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and

WHEREAS, it is the constitutional responsibility of the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to protect, conserve, and enact regulations designed to protect and conserve wildlife, and

WHEREAS, the "goose creeping" regulation that was in effect for the 1987-88 waterfowl season proved to be an effective deterrent, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that on August 4, 1988 the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby ratify the regulation prohibiting the method of goose hunting known as "goose creeping".

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Dr. Don Hines, Vice Chairman  
La. Wildlife and Fisheries  
Commission

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Kell McInnis, Deputy Secretary  
La. Department of Wildlife and  
Fisheries

Resolution

Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries  
Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission  
August 4, 1988

WHEREAS, the method of taking geese known as "goose creeping" oftentimes results in the overbagging and/or excessive crippling loss of geese, and

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WHEREAS, the "goose creeping" regulation that was in effect for the 1987-88 waterfowl season proved to be an effective deterrent, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that on August 4, 1988 the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby ratify the regulation prohibiting the method of goose hunting known as "goose creeping".

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Joe Palmisano, Chairman  
La. Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

*for* A. Kell McInnis  
Virginia Van Sickle, Secretary  
La. Department of Wildlife and  
Fisheries

## RULE

### Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

The Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission has adopted a rule prohibiting a method of taking geese known as "goose creeping". The Rule shall be designated as LAC 76:V.307 and read as follows:

#### Title 76 Wildlife and Fisheries Part V. Wild Quadrupeds and Wild Birds

#### Chapter 3. Wild Birds

#### 307. Goose Creeping

It shall be unlawful to approach geese by creeping, crawling, or stalking for the purpose of taking geese or thereafter causing geese to be taken. "Take" means, in its different tenses, the attempt or act of hooking, pursuing, netting, capturing, snaring, trapping, shooting, hunting, wounding or killing by any means or devise.

Authority Note: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 56:115

Historical Note: Promulgated by the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission, August 1988.



AGENDA  
LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION  
BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA  
August 4-5, 1988

1. Roll Call

2. Approval of Minutes of July 7 & 8, 1988 - Jenkins - Vines 8-5

3. Oyster Survey Report - Ron

4. Set the 1988-89 Oyster Season - Ron - Phil - 8-5 Vines - Pol

5. Set the 1988 Fall Shrimp Season - Phil - 8-5 - Vines - Jenkins  
HB 1387 - authority to set season - Johnny Blower - zone 2 close  
criminal in house - applied

6. Ratify Modification of Provisions Relative to Menhaden Harvesting  
Jurisdiction - Phil - Resolution - 8-5-88 - Vines - Cappel

7. Seismic Report - July - Phil -

8. Resolution include emergency  
Waterfowl Hunting Season Dates - slides - Robert H. - Bob Miss - 8-5  
Warren - point system - Jenkins - approved 8-4

9. Emergency Rule to set Dove, Woodcock, Snipe, Rail and Gallinule Hunting  
Season Dates - Res. & Notice of Intent  
approved 8-4-88

\* 10. Ratification of Goose Creeping Regulation - Batch - McCall - Jenkins  
approved 8-4

11. Law Enforcement Report - Winton - July

12. Boating Safety Report - Charlie Clark

13. Discussion of Alligator Farming Program - Bob, Ted Joann

13.5. Alligator Harvest Program Quotas - July - no action

14. Notice of Intent - Fur Harvest Season - need resolution Johnnie  
Cappel - Pol

15. Fur and Alligator Advisory Council - Status Report - Greg Lincombe  
Disc of Alligator Farming Program - Johnny Casey

17. Discuss the Issue Relative to Prohibit the Out-of-state Shipment of  
Alligator Hatchlings under Four Foot, in Accordance with SCR 236 and HCR 235  
Adopt Rules and Regulations as Appropriate Jenkins - Vines  
Other Business

18. Response to Mr. McCall: Re: Steeds Shrimp House as a Possible Outlet  
for License Sales (Request at last board meeting) - 8-5-88

19. Set September Meeting Date - 8+9

Mr 8 will be No 18? last

Bob Dennis H&F Day  
Deer and Bob Jones - Jerry Joann  
Adjoan - Jenkins - Vines

## NOTICE OF INTENT

Department of Wildlife and Fisheries


Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

The alligator industry of Louisiana represents a renewable resource, valuable to the economy providing income to in excess of 1,000 participants for the 30-day harvesting season. The annual harvest of surplus and nuisance animals is in keeping with wise wildlife management techniques based upon scientific research and resulting management.

The regulations governing the taking, tagging, tag allotment, sale and shipment of alligators and products for the 1988 season may be viewed at the Quail Drive Office off Perkins Road, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, phone: (504)765-2344.

The Department Secretary shall be authorized to close or extend the alligator season as biologically justifiable.

Interested persons may submit written comments on the proposed rule to Johnnie Tarver, Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, P.O. Box 98000, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70898.

  
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Virginia Van Sickle, Secretary  
La. Dept. of Wildlife & Fisheries

EMERGENCY RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES  
COMMISSION AT THE REGULAR MEETING HELD IN BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA,  
FRIDAY, JULY 8, 1988.


WHEREAS, The Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries has the authority under State and Federal Statute to establish an alligator season, and


WHEREAS, The alligator population in Louisiana has been determined by biologists of the Department to be capable of sustaining an annual harvest of surplus animals; and

WHEREAS, The removal of the surplus animals is considered to be a wise use of this natural resource of the state of Louisiana.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby adopt the following rules, regulations, and guidelines for administering the 1988 alligator season.

This is to certify that the above and foregoing is a true copy of the excerpt of the minutes of the meeting of the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission held in Baton Rouge, Louisiana on Friday, July 8, 1988.

  
Virginia Van Sickle, Secretary  
La. Dept. of Wildlife & Fisheries

  
Joe Palmisano, Jr., Chairman  
La. Wildlife & Fisheries Commission

ALLIGATOR REGULATIONS ADOPTED BY THE LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION AT ITS REGULAR MEETING HELD IN BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA ON FRIDAY, JULY 8, 1988.

The Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries recommends that an alligator season be hereby established in accordance with the following regulations: No exceptions of these procedures will be permitted, and anyone taking alligators contrary to these regulations will be charged in accordance with Title 56 of the Louisiana Laws Pertaining to Wildlife and Fisheries, appropriate federal laws, Wildlife and Fisheries Commission regulations, and/or Louisiana Department of Health and Human Resources Regulations.

1. Open Area - Alligator habitat in the state of Louisiana. Harvest quotas will be rigidly controlled according to alligator population estimates within all of the state's wetland habitat types.
2. Harvest season - The open season shall run for a 31-day period beginning on September 10, 1988 and continue through October 10, 1988. It is legal to take, possess, or sell alligators or their skins under 4 feet in length as provided for by rules and regulations of the Commission. A special Department permit shall be issued to alligator hide dealers, farmers, and hunters in order to ship alligator skins below 4 feet in length.
3. Harvest methods - Alligators may be taken only during daylight hours, between official sunrise and official sunset. If a licensed hunter is cited for hunting alligators out of season, at night or on property other than that for which tags were assigned, all tags and skins for the current season will be confiscated in addition to revocation of the alligator hunting license. Special instructions will be issued to the holders of alligator hunter licenses shortly before the opening of the season describing

detailed methods regarding the skinning of alligators. Skins processed contrary to the specific requirements of the Department will be considered illegal and will be confiscated by Department personnel. Pole hunting is prohibited to protect the nesting female population. Hooks and lines may be set no more than one day prior to the season opening. No hook and line shall remain set after the closing day of the alligator season. All alligator hooks and lines must be checked daily and all hooks and lines must be removed when a hunter's tag quota is reached. Alligators cannot be cut loose from hooks and lines for purposes of selecting larger alligators.

4. Licenses - An alligator hunter must have in possession a valid commercial alligator hunter license to take or sell alligators or their skins or other alligator parts. The fee for the resident license is \$25.00 per year and for the non-resident \$150.00. These licenses are non-transferable. In order to obtain a resident license, the hunter must have established bona fide residence in the state. A hunter must complete application forms provided by the Department and furnish proof that he owns the land or has an agreement with the landowner or another authorized hunter to hunt alligators on the specified property. Information as to the location and acreage of the property must be provided (all land descriptions must include parish, township, range, and section delineation figures).

Applications must be submitted beginning August 1, 1988. Property ownership and description requirements do not apply to public lake hunters. The alligator hunter license will be issued only after the hunter has satisfactorily complied with the above requirements. Commercial alligator hunter licenses will not be

issued after September 19, 1988. Alligator sport hunter licenses may be issued throughout the season. Non-resident hunters and resident sport hunters must coordinate their hunt through landowners and licensed resident hunters. A non-resident hunter may take no more than 3 alligators per season. A fur buyer license or fur dealer license is required for purchasing and handling raw alligator skins in Louisiana. An alligator parts dealer license is required of any person who deals in alligator parts other than hides and who: (a) Buys from an alligator hunter or farmer for the purpose of resale; or (b) Manufactures within the state alligator parts into a finished product; or (c) Purchases, cans, processes, or distributes alligator meat for wholesale or retail. A retailer selling canned alligator parts or a retailer purchasing alligator parts from an alligator parts dealer or restaurant selling prepared alligator meat for human consumption shall not be classified as an alligator parts dealer. The fee for the parts dealer license is \$50.00 per year. Persons or firms entering alligators or alligator skins and/or parts in interstate/foreign commerce in the course of a commercial activity must be licensed in accordance with state and federal regulations. Persons shipping alligators, or alligator skins and/or parts to another state or country must do so in accordance with the regulations of that state or country. Each retailer selling canned alligator parts or purchasing alligator parts and each restaurant selling prepared alligator meat for human consumption shall secure a license from the Department before commencing business. The license shall be secured annually and shall be furnished upon the payment of five dollars.

5. Tagging - In addition to a valid commercial alligator hunting license, the hunter must also obtain from the Department, and have in his possession while hunting, official tags which must be firmly attached to each alligator immediately upon taking. Numbered tags will only be issued in the name of license holders for a sum of \$2.00 per tag for the 1988 season. Alligator tags will not be issued after September 19, 1988. Tags must be attached and locked in the last six (6) inches of the tail. The tags must remain attached to the skin until finally processed by the fabricator. It shall be illegal to possess alligators or alligator skins in Louisiana without valid official tags attached. Failure to properly tag an alligator or skin will result in confiscation of both the alligator or skin and tag. Official alligator tags will be issued only to alligator hunters, and farmers and only to those who have authorized applications. The number of tags will be issued on the basis of the quantity and quality of the habitat, and the rate per acre will be fixed based on extensive population estimates. Tags will be issued for alligator habitat only, based on final decision of Department biologists. Tags issued on public lakes are non-transferable and limited to 5 per hunter. No more than this fixed number of tags will be issued. Each official tag will bear a characteristic number, and the tag number issued to each hunter will be recorded. Hunters will be held accountable for all alligator tags issued to them. Unused tags must be returned by the hunter to the Department no later than 15 days following the close of the season. Department personnel must be notified, within 15 days following the season, of any alligator hides not sold to a commercial buyer or dealer on official Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries forms provided. Lost or stolen tags will

not be replaced but must be reported within 15 days of close of season. Tags can be used only on the lands applied for and approved on the application. Tags furnished by the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries must be attached to all alligator meat/parts upon transfer by a hunter or farmer.

6. Alligator Farmers and Breeders - Licensed alligator farmers or breeders must have Department authorization to kill and skin their alligators but must follow the same rules and regulations which apply to wild alligators (except farm alligators can be harvested during closed season with Department approval). Alligator farmers or breeders must have Department authorization to sell or transfer live alligator or alligator eggs.
7. Sale of Alligator Skins - All alligator skins taken during the alligator season must be validated by personnel of the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries prior to the hides leaving the state. Special skinning instructions will be verified, and any skins not prepared according to instructions issued in advance of season will be considered illegal. Buyers/dealers must abide by special skinning instructions or be subject to forfeiture of improperly skinned hides.
8. Buyer/Dealer Hide Records - All buyers and dealers making purchases of alligator hides shall maintain a complete set of records of all purchases and sales. Such records will include names and addresses of buyers and/or sellers, alligator hide tag number and length, and date purchased. Dealers will submit reports as required by the Department for all hides purchased/sold. Every buyer or dealer having raw alligator hides in his possession shall file with the Department within sixty days after the close



of the alligator season, or prior to shipping out-of-state, a complete report as specified on forms provided by the Department

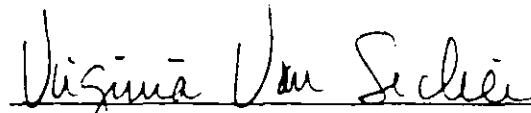
9. Shipment - All interstate shipments of raw alligator skins must be tagged with official out-of-state shipping tags provided by the Department. All shipments of skins within the state must be tagged with official Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries in-state shipping tags. A severance tax of 25 cents per hide must be paid on all out-of-state shipments at the time skins are transported or shipped.
10. Sale of Meat and Parts - Meat and other parts from lawfully taken alligators can only be sold according to Louisiana Department of Health and Human Resources regulations, Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries regulations, and federal laws. Alligator meat sold for human food must be processed in a licensed facility approved by the Louisiana Department of Health and Human Resources. If a person or firm is cited for buying or selling alligator meat that was not processed through a licensed alligator processing plant, all alligator meat in possession will be confiscated. Alligator hunters, farmers, and parts dealers shall maintain records of all transactions, purchases and sales on forms provided by the Department. These forms shall be submitted to the Department within 30 days following the close of the season and thereafter at 60-day intervals until all parts are sold. All alligator meat and parts, excluding hides, shall be tagged with an official alligator parts tag (Color: Blue) to be furnished by the Department. Hunters, farmers, and alligator parts dealers shall furnish a bill of sale to all retailers and restaurants purchasing alligator parts. This bill of sale shall be maintained for a period of six months.

11. Nuisance Removal Program - A statewide alligator nuisance removal program will be administered on an annual basis. This program will allow the taking of problem alligators within the confines of municipal, ward, parish, or state responsibility where there are alligator-people conflicts. Alligators taken under this program must be taken in accordance with state regulations and local regulations/ordinances. Skinning instructions issued by the Department will be valid for one year, until the next year's skinning instructions are issued. This nuisance removal program depends upon close cooperation of state, parish, and local authorities. Tags may be issued by the Department to an approved resident commercial licensed hunter who has been designated by Department supervisory personnel or officials of a local governing body. The number of tags issued will be based on the number of complaints received and the quantity and quality of alligator habitat involved. The Commission is hopeful this program will lessen the threat to people and property by reducing human/alligator contact.
12. Hunting on Public Lakes - The Department may select public lakes for an experimental alligator hunting program. The harvest will be controlled by a tag allotment for each lake as determined by population surveys by Department personnel. An alligator hunter can receive tags for and hunt on only one public lake each season. The tag quota for a public lake is 5 per hunter. Alligator tags issued on public lakes are non-transferable. Applicants for public lake hunting must be 16 years of age or older. Applications for public lake hunting must be received at least 10 days prior to the season opening date. In the event that the number of applicants for any particular public lake exceeds the number of

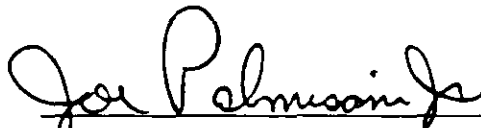
allowable hunters; a public drawing will be held to select hunters. Only the applicants whose names are drawn will be eligible to hunt public lakes.

13. Harvest Rates - Harvest rates are presently being calculated and will be determined by biologists of the Fur and Refuge Division. Aerial nest counts and night count surveys will be completed on 20 July, 1988. This data will be analyzed, harvest rates figured, and alligator tag allotments will be presented to Department/Commission administrators for their consideration.
14. The Department Secretary shall be authorized to close, extend or reopen the alligator season as biologically justifiable; harvest rates will be approved when available by the Department Secretary.

This is to certify that the above and foregoing is a true copy of the excerpt of the meeting of the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission held in Baton Rouge, Louisiana on July 8, 1988.



Virginia Van Sickle, Secretary  
La. Dept. of Wildlife & Fisheries



Joe Palmisano, Jr., Chairman  
La. Wildlife & Fisheries Commission

	1988 Tag Allotment/Marsh Type		
	Brackish	Intermediate	Fresh
Cameron Calcasieu	1:150	1:75	1:100
Jeff Davis			1:100
* Vermilion West	1:100	1:75	1:250
* Vermilion East	1:275	1:200	
Iberia	1:275	1:200	1:150
St. Mary	1:275	1:125	1:150
Terrebonne	1:225	1:75	1:110
Lafourche	1:400	1:100	1:100
St. Charles	1:425	1:100	1:75
St. John the Baptist		1:100	1:75
Jefferson	1:350	1:125	1:200
Orleans	1:500	1:200	1:225
Plaquemines	1:325	1:325	1:250
St. Bernard	1:700	1:200	
St. Tammany	1:150	1:150	1:175
Tangipahoa			1:150
Swamp	1:250		
Dewatered Marsh	1:700		
Deteriorating Brackish Marsh**	1:700		

\* The dividing line for Vermilion Parish brackish and intermediate marsh is the Vermilion River Cutoff (4-mile cut).

\*\*Marsh areas which are characterized by a generally declining alligator population caused by degradation of alligator habitat.

1988 NON-MARSH ALLIGATOR TAG ALLOTMENT BY ZONE AND PARISH  
LAKE REGION

ZONE	PARISH	HABITAT	ACRES OF HABITAT	TAG ALLOTMENT	REMARKS
Minden	Caddo	Gross Lake	500	20	Public Lake (Experimental Harvest)
	DeSoto	*Clear Lake	1,500	25	Public Lake (Experimental Harvest)
		**Smithport Lake	1,500	25	Public Lake (Experimental Harvest)
		***Toledo Bend	3,000	20	Public Lake (Experimental Harvest)
			6,500	90	
Monroe					No Public Lakes No Experimental Harvest
Tioga	Grant	Iatt Lake	3,000	30	Public Lake (Experimental Harvest)
	Rapides	Indian Creek	500	10	Public Lake (Experimental Harvest)
	Winn	Saline Lake	2,400	24	Public Lake (Experimental Harvest)
	Vernon	Anacoco Lake	1,000	10	Public Lake (Experimental Harvest)
			6,900	74	

1988 NON-MARSH ALLIGATOR TAG ALLOTMENT BY ZONE AND PARISH CONT'D

LAKE REGION

ZONE	PARISH	HABITAT	ACRES HABITAT	TAG ALLOTMENT	REMARKS
Ferriday	Concordia	Lower Sunk Lake	600	5	Three Rivers W.M.A. (Experimental Harvest)
		Silver Lakes	400	5	Three Rivers W.M.A. (Experimental Harvest)
	Tensas	Lake St. Joseph	800	20	Public Lake (Experimental Harvest)
		Lake St. John	200	20	Public Lake (Experimental Harvest)
			2,000	50	
Lake Charles	Evangeline	Chicot Lake	1,625	16	State Parks (Experimental Harvest)
			1,625	16	
Opelousas	Avoyelles	Grassy Lake WMA	1,000	20	Highest Bidder Basis
		Spring Bayou WMA	5,000	50	Highest Bidder Basis
	St. Martin	Atchafalaya N.W.R. Bayou des Ourse Brake	1,300	13	Highest Bidder Basis
		Iberville	Atchafalaya N.W.R. Bayou des Glaise Brake	2,000	20
			9,300	103	

1988 NON-MARSH ALLIGATOR TAG ALLOTMENT BY ZONE AND PARISH CONT'D

LAKE REGION

ZONE	HABITAT	ACRES OF HABITAT	TAG ALLOTMENT	REMARKS
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Lake Region Totals	Lakes	26,325	333	Experimental Harvests
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Additionally: Any private alligator habitat determined by Department personnel to have a reproducing population may be issued tags at the rate of one tag per 100 acres of habitat.

\* North of La. 509 Bridge

\*\* South of La. 509 Bridge

\*\*\* That portion of the upper end of Toledo Bend in DeSoto Parish east of the Main Channel and north of Circle Drive Landing.

1988 NON-MARSH ALLIGATOR TAG ALLOTMENT BY PARISH  
CYPRESS-TUPELO SWAMP REGION

ZONE	PARISH	ACRES OF HABITAT	TAG ALLOTMENT	ACRES/TAG	REMARKS
Opelousas	Iberville	29,880	120	250	Tag Allotment based upon night counts and alligator model.
	Lafayette	1,200	5	250	
	Pointe Coupee	1,000	4	250	
	West Baton Rouge	7,040	28	250	
SUB TOTAL		38,120	157	250	
Baton Rouge	Ascension	40,320	161	250	
	East Baton Rouge	2,000	8	250	
	Livingston	66,720	267	250	
	Tangipahoa	36,181	145	250	
SUB TOTAL		145,221	581	250	
New Orleans	St. Charles	39,340	157	250	
	St. James	76,960	308	250	
	St. John	104,320	417	250	
SUB TOTAL		220,620	882	250	



1988 NON-MARSH ALLIGATOR TAG ALLOTMENT BY PARISH CONT'D  
 CYPRESS-TUPELO SWAMP REGION

ZONE	PARISH	ACRES OF HABITAT	TAG ALLOTMENT	ACRES/TAG	REMARKS
New Iberia- Bourg	Assumption	98,560	394	250	
	Iberia	31,550	126	250	
	Lafourche	112,350	449	250	
	St. Mary	60,190	241	250	
	Terrebonne	43,014	172	250	
SUB TOTAL		345,664	1,382	250	
SWAMP TOTAL		749,625	3,002	250	

# ATCHAFALAYA BASIN ALLIGATOR HABITAT

REGION	ACREAGE	DESCRIPTION
A. Henderson Lake	15,000	Bounded on the West by the West Guide Levee, on the North by Little Fardoche Bayou, on the East by the Haha Bay and Gim Slough and on the South by La. Hwy. 3177.
B. Crook Chene Cove- Buffalo Cove	32,000	Beginning at the NW corner of Attakapas W.M.A.: A line North along Lake Fausse Pointe Cut to Bayou Benoit; West to the West Guide Levee, North to the East-West Canal located approximately 3 miles South of Catahoula, La.: East approximately 2 miles to canal; Southeast on that same canal to Bayou Crook Chene; East to the main channel of the Atchafalaya River; South to the North boundary of Attakapas W.M.A.; west to point of beginning.
C. Spike Bay-Berry Lake	8,000	Beginning at a point 1-1/2 miles NW of Bayou Sorrel Landing: West along canal 5 miles; South along Spike Bay for 2 miles; East to intersect Bayou Sorrel then continue East along Bayou Sorrel to East Guide Levee; North to point of beginning.
D. Upper Grand River Flats	12,000	Beginning at Upper Grand River Landing: North along East Guide Levee approximately 9 miles to a canal running NW; NW along that canal 2-1/2 miles to King's Ditch; South approximately 5 miles to include Billy Littles Lakes; SE approximately 4 miles to intersection of Upper Grand River and Little Tensas Bayou, East along Upper Grand River to point of beginning.
E. Bayou Pigeon- Belle River- Flat lake	140,000	Beginning at Bayou Pigeon Landing: South along East Guide Levee to Morgan City (excluding Flat Lake); NNW along East side of the main channel of Six Mile Lake approximately 10 miles to 21-Inch Canal; NE on 21-Inch Canal to Bayou Boutte; North on Bayou Boutte to the East boundary line of Attakapas W.M.A. then north along its East boundary to Grand Lake; North along the East bank of Grand Lake to Keelboat Pass; NE along Keelboat Pass and Flat Lake Pass to intersection of Williams Canal and a canal running SW-NE; Northeast along that canal to intersection of Intracoastal Canal (East Guide Levee); South to Bayou Pigeon Landing.

Total alligator habitat  
within basin habitat type

207,000 acres

Tags may be issued at the rate of one tag per 1,280 acres of habitat.

1988 NON-MARSH ALLIGATOR TAG ALLOTMENT BY REGIONS

REGION	ACRES OF HABITAT	POTENTIAL TAG ALLOTMENT	ACRES/TAG	REMARKS
Lakes	100,000	1,000	100	Includes public lakes as well as private Cypress-lake habitat.
Cypress-Tupelo Swamp	750,000	3,000	250	Swamp habitat outside the Atchafalaya Basin.
Atchafalaya Basin	207,000	161	1,280	That portion of the Atchafalaya Basin determined to be Cypress-Tupelo swamp containing permanent water as determined by aerial observations as well as approximately 400 miles of travel by boat during April-June, 1985.
GRAND TOTAL	1,057,000	4,161		

Approved by:

*Virginia Van Sickle*  
 Virginia Van Sickle, Secretary  
 La. Dept. of Wildlife and Fisheries

## NOTICE OF INTENT

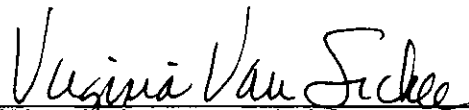
### Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

The fur industry of Louisiana is the result of a major wildlife resource and provides supplemental income for many of the citizens of our state; and as this resource is a renewable natural one, which has proven under wise management to increase in importance; annual harvest of the surplus animals is in keeping with sound wildlife management principles.

The creation of a north and south trapping zone continues to allow for the most efficient harvest of prime furbearers in these two diverse habitat types within the state. Therefore, the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries does hereby establish the 1988-89 furbearer trapping season for the south zone as being December 1, 1988, through February 28, 1989. After carefully considering the market situation for some upland species, especially the raccoon, the Department, in an attempt to provide more opportunity for trapping of bobcat and fox after deer hunting seasons are closed, does hereby establish the 1988-89 furbearer trapping season for the north zone as November 20, 1988, through February 15, 1989, with the addition of an experimental season from February 16, 1989, through March 15, 1989, with trapping techniques restricted to the use of Soft-Catch traps (padded jaw traps) or their equivalent. The Department Secretary shall be authorized to close or extend the trapping season in any portion of the state as biologically justifiable.

Federal restrictions imposed by the CITES Scientific Authority for otter and bobcat furs continue to require placement of an export tag prior to out-of-state shipment. The regulations governing the buying, tagging and shipment of bobcat and otter pelts adopted for the 1988-89 trapping season may be viewed at the Quail Drive office off Perkins Road, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, phone (504)765-2344.

Interested persons may submit written comments on the proposed rule to Johnnie Tarver, Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, P.O. Box 98000, Baton Rouge, LA 70898-9000.

  
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Virginia Van Sickle  
Secretary

DEER MANAGEMENT TASK FORCE  
Fact Sheet

The Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries is appointing a Task Force to address the deer management program in Louisiana. The Task Force will be asked to develop recommendations concerning the length and timing of deer season by area, the number of areas, the bag limit, the allocation of days for still and dog hunting, the deer management assistance program and the issue of spring and summer running (training) of dogs.

The committee will begin work at it's first meeting to be held at 7:00 P.M. September 14, 1988 at the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries building, 2000 Quail Drive, Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Subsequent meetings will be held monthly through February 1989 and a completed report is expected by March 1, 1989.

The following organizations or interest groups will select their own representatives to the Committee in accordance with the number and type indicated below:

1. Louisiana Wildlife Federation (2 representatives - 1 still hunter and 1 dog hunter).
2. Louisiana Dog Hunters Association (1 representative)
3. U. S. Forest Service (1 representative)
4. Louisiana Forestry Association (2 representatives)
5. Private Landowners (1 representative)
6. Louisiana Police Jury Association (1 representative)
7. Louisiana Field Archery Association (1 representative)
8. State University (2 representatives)
9. Louisiana Chapter of The Wildlife Society (1 representative)
10. Louisiana Wildlife Association (1 representative)

Additional Advisors to the Task Force

1. A Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission Member
2. A representative of the Department's Information and Education Division
3. A representative of the Department's Enforcement Division

The Department's Deer Study Leader will serve as Chairman for the first organizational meeting with a permanent Chairman being elected from the membership. The Committee will thereafter conduct all business independent of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries.

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# Civil Subpoena and Subpoena Duces Tecum

GRAND CHENIER ALLIGATOR FARM, INC.  
PLAINTIFF

NO. 334,137 DIV. M

VS.  
LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND  
FISHERIES, ET AL DEFENDENT

19TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT  
PARISH OF EAST BATON ROUGE  
STATE OF LOUISIANA

TO Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries (through its Secretary, Virginia Van Sickie) 2000 Quail Drive Baton Rouge, La.

You have been ordered by the Court to come to the Governmental Building, 222 St. Louis St., Room 701,  
on the 2nd day of September 19 88, at 9:00  
o'clock A. M., to testify and you **MUST** bring with you:

1. A copy of the transcript of the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission meeting of August 4 and 5, 1988;
2. A copy of the tape recording of the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission meeting of August 4 and 5, 1988;
3. A copy of any and all documents and/or studies and/or reports showing conservation reasons and/or protection reasons that support the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission Resolution passed on August 5, 1988, prohibiting the out-of-state shipment of alligators under four feet or under one year of age.

If this case is continued, you must bring these items back with you.

If you do not come and do not bring these items, you will be violating the law and may be subject to penalties.

This **SUBPOENA** was ordered by Attorney A. I. Stacey Williams  
and was issued by the Clerk of Court on the 25th day of August, 19 88



Deputy Clerk of Court for  
H. M. Mike Cannon, Clerk of Court

# State of Louisiana



DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES

VIRGINIA VAN SICKLE  
SECRETARY

August 1, 1988

BUDDY ROEMER  
GOVERNOR

## COASTAL & MARINE RESOURCES SURVEY SECTION 03 - 04 ACTIVITY REPORT

From July 1st thru July 31st

During this period field activity consisted of:

145 Surveys that were scheduled.  
15 Surveys that were unable to be done due to bad weather  
or fishermen unable to meet surveyor.

Surveys that were completed consisted of:

63 Leases that were tied into the monument control system.  
9 Applications for new area.  
51 15-year limitations.  
4 Restake applications.

Total field activity:

<u>1986</u>	<u>1987</u>	<u>1988</u>	
<u>994</u>	<u>849</u>	<u>874</u>	- Surveys scheduled.
<u>748</u>	<u>491</u>	<u>552</u>	- Surveys performed.
<u>231</u>	<u>357</u>	<u>312</u>	- Surveys unable to be done due to bad weather or fishermen unable to meet surveyor.
<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	- Survey where fishermen refused to survey.
<u>0</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	- Disputes settled.
<u>11</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>10</u>	- No shows.
<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2</u>	- Applications cancelled by request.

Office activity during this period:

\$2,429.10 - Lease rental collected.  
\$290.50 - Survey fees collected.  
2 - Applications filed.  
64 - New leases issued.  
3 - Surveys - Private Surveyor  
58 - Surveys - Private Surveyor, 1988





Virginia Van Sickle  
SECRETARY

DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES  
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COASTAL AND MARINE RESOURCES  
SEISMIC SECTION  
03-46  
ACTIVITY REPORT

FROM: July 1, 1988 THRU July 31, 1988

During this period, office and field activity consisted of:

1. 1 Crews that applied for permits to work
2. 37 Crews that we received notifications for work
3. 35 Crews that were working during the month
4. 0 Crews that cancelled work that was scheduled
5. 1 Crews that renewed or applied for bond to work in state

For month of July, 1988 we collected  
\$ 134,004.51.  
Collections year to date \$ 738,831.71.

TOTAL ACTIVITY YEAR TO DATE:

	1987	1988
1.	<u>          </u>	<u>14</u>
2.	<u>          </u>	<u>293</u>
3.	<u>          </u>	<u>241</u>
4.	<u>          </u>	<u>3</u>
5.	<u>          </u>	<u>7</u>

DATE SUBMITTED: Aug. 4, 1988



JULY 1988 CASE REPORT

REGION I

TOTAL CASES-160

ENFORCEMENT-157

OTHER - -3

87-Boating

49-Angle Without a License (Resident or Non-Resident)

13-Fish Without Resident Pole License

1-Possession of wild quadrupeds or wild birds without permit

1-Take Non-Game Quadrupeds Illegally

1-Resisting Arrest

3-DWI

4-Littering

1-Other than Wildlife and Fisheries

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NONE

REGION 2

TOTAL CASES-95

ENFORCEMENT-74

OTHER -21

29-Boating

25-Angle Without a License (Resident or Non-Resident)

12-Fish Without Resident Pole License

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REGION 2 CONT'D.

1-Shocking Fish

6-Hunt Wild Quadrupeds And/Or Wild Birds Illegal Hours (Except Deer, Bear,  
Turkey)

4-Littering

13-Other Than Wildlife and Fisheries

5-DWI

CONFISCATIONS

NONE

REGION 3

TOTAL CASES-209

ENFORCEMENT-209  
OTHER-0

79-Boating

116-Angle without a license (resident or non-resident)

8-Fish without resident pole license

1-Take Game Fish Illegally (Specify)

1-Use Illegal Nets

4-Possession of Wild Quadrupeds or Wild Birds Without Permit

CONFISCATIONS

NONE

REGION 4

TOTAL CASES-79

ENFORCEMENT-71  
OTHER -8

30-Boating

30-Angle without a license (resident-or non-resident)

9-Fish without resident pole license

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REGION 4 CONT'D.

- 1-Take Game Fish Illegally
- 2-Use Lead Nets In Other Than Overflow Regions
- 1-Use Illegal Nets
- 6-Not Abiding By Rules and Regulations on WMA

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50 yards of 2 inch tie down, 2 hoop nets with leads.

REGION 5

TOTAL CASES-164

ENFORCEMENT-142  
OTHER - 22

43-Boating

70-Angle Without a License (Resident or Non-Resident)

- 1-Fish Without Resident Pole License
- 1-Use Gear Without Recreational Gear License (Resident or Non-Resident)
- 2-Angle Without Saltwater License (Resident or Non-Resident)
- 14-Take or Possess Undersize Red Drum or Spotted Sea Trout
- 3-Fail To have Commercial License in Possession
- 1-Take or Sell Commercial Fish or Bait Species Without Commercial License
- 1-Take Commercial Fish W/O Commercial Gear License
- 1-Take Or Possess Commercial Fish Without a Vessel License
- 3-Sell And/Or Buy Fish W/O Wholesale/Retail Dealer's License (Resident or Non-Resident)
- 4-Fail to Maintain Records
- 4-Transport W/O Required License
- 1-Take or Possess Undersize Commercial Fish
- 2-Possess Crabs in Berry Stage

REGION 5 CONT'D.

1-Set Crab Traps In Nav. Channels or Entrance to Streams

3-Trawling Inside Waters W/Double Rig

1-Pelting in Closed Season

4-Not Abiding By Rules and Regulations on WMA

1-Resisting Arrest

1-Aggravated Assault On An Officer

1-Illegal Possession Of Drugs Or Marijuana

1-Interfering With An Officer

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1-41 foot trawl, 1-39 foot trawl, 50 redbfish and 6 speckled trout.

REGION 6

TOTAL CASES-229

ENFORCEMENT-211  
OTHER - 18

115-Boating

63-Angle W/O A License

3-Fish Without resident pole license

3-Use Gear Without Recreational Gear License (Resident or Non-Resident)

1-Angling Without Saltwater License (Resident or Non-Resident)

2-Take Or Sell Commercial Fish Or Bait Species Without Commercial License

2-Take or possess commercial fish without a vessel license

1-DWI

3-Littering

1-Sell and/or Buy Fish W/O Wholesale/Retail Dealer's License (Resident or  
Non-Resident)

1-Use Illegal Nets

18-Take or Possess Undersize Commercial Fish

REGION 6 CONT'D

- 3-Posses Crabs in Berry Stage
- 1-Fail to Mark Crab Containers
- 8-Butterflying in Closed Season

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44 catfish, 1 gill net, 3 boats, 3 motors, 171 undersize catfish, 379 legal catfish sold.

REGION 7

TOTAL CASES-285

ENFORCEMENT-273  
OTHER -12

93-Boating

133-Angling W/O a License (resident or non-resident)

14-Angle W/O resident pole license

10-Angle W/O Saltwater License

1-Take or Possess Undersize Red Drum or Spotted Sea Trout

1-Take or Sell Commercial Fish or Bait Species W/O Commercial License

1-Take Commercial Fish Without Commercial Gear License

1-Take or Possess Commercial Fish Without a Vessel License

3-Sell and/or Buy Fish Without Wholesale/Retail Dealer's License

1-Failure to Comply With Closure Order (Spotted Sea Trout)

1-Fail to Have Commercial License in Possession

12-Angle w/o saltwater license (resident or non-resident)

1-Take or possess undersize red drum or spotted sea trout

4-DWI

1-Public Intimidation

1-Littering

REGION 7 CONT'D

- 1-Driving Under Suspension
- 1-Expired Driver's License
- 1-Improper Lane Usage
- 1-Possess Illegal Firearm
- 3-Not Abiding by Rules and Regulations on WMA

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- 1-22 Cal. Semi-Auto, 5 spotted sea trout.

REGION 8

TOTAL CASES-984

ENFORCEMENT-793  
OTHER -191

130-Boating

- 3-Allow Another To Use Recreational License

356-Angle Without a License (Resident or Non-Resident)

- 10-Fish W/O Resident Pole License

- 7-Use Gear W/O Recreational Gear License (Resident or Non-Resident)

131-Angle W/O Saltwater License (Resident or Non-Resident)

- 4-Take Game Fish Illegally

- 4-Possess O/L of Spotted Sea Trout or Red Drum

- 7-Fail to Have Fish Intact (Saltwater)

50-Take or Possess Undersize Red Drum or Spotted Sea Trout

- 3-Not Abiding by Commission Rules and Regulations

10-Fail To Have Commercial License in Possession

21-Take or Sell Commercial Fish or Bait Species Without Commercial License

15-Take Commercial Fish Without Commercial Gear License

REGION 8 CONT'D.

- 21-Take or Possess Commercial Fish Without a Vessel License
- 4-Sell and/or Buy Fish Without Wholesale /Retail Dealer's License (Resident or Non-Resident)
- 9-Fail to Maintain Records
- 5-Transport W/O Required License (Resident or Non-Resident)
- 4-Use Illegal Nets
- 6-Illegal Use of Monofilament
- 3-Leave nets unattended
- 36-Take or possess undersize commercial fish
- 2-Buy Commercial Fish From Unlicensed Fisherman
- 4-Blocking Passage Of Fish
- 5-Possess Crabs In Berry Stage
- 4-Use Crab Traps Without Required Floats
- 2-Allow Another To Use Commercial License
- 3-Fail To Have Commercial Fish Intact
- 2-Fail To Comply With Closure Order (Spotted Sea Trout)
- 27-Trawling in Closed Season
- 6-Trawling Inside Waters With Double Rig (Over 50 feet)
- 3-Use Oversize Trawls
- 18-Butterflying In Closed Season
- 2-Use Illegal Beam Trawl/Chopped Stick
- 3-Use Illegal Mesh Trawl, Butterfly Nets or Seines
- 1-Use Oversize Butterfly Nets
- 7-Failure to Have Written Permission
- 2-Unlawfully Take Oysters From State Water Bottoms

REGION 8 CONT'D.

- 12-Taking Oysters From Unapproved Area (POLLUTED)
- 8-Unlawfully Take Oysters Off a Private Lease
- 2-Take Oysters Closed Season
- 3-Using Illegal Gear For Taking Oysters On Public Grounds (Natural Reef)
- 2-Take Oysters Illegal Hours
- 1-Failure to Display Proper Number on Vessel
- 5-Resisting Arrest
- 4-Criminal Trespass
- 2-Illegal Possession of Drugs or Marijuana
- 1-Littering
- 5-Other Than Wildlife and Fisheries
- 2-Possess/Take Undersize Federal Controlled Fish
- 7-Possess/Take Over limit of Controlled Fish

CONFISCATIONS

230 redfish, 111 bags of fish and filet, 305 speckled trout, 3 gill nets, 23 trawls, 23 butterfly nets, 38 lbs. of shrimp, 4 boats, 21 sacks of oysters, 4 dredges, 1 flounder, 1 bag eel cat, 2012 catfish, 6 cobia. 1 hoop net, 6 perch, 69 boxes of crabs, 9,682 crabs, 21 lbs. frogs, 445 lbs. assorted seafood (crab, shrimp, fish), 9 sharks.

TOTAL CASES ALL REGIONS:     2,205

TOTAL CASES ENFORCEMENT:     1,930

TOTAL CASES OTHER DIVISIONS:     275



S.W.E.P.

DELTA TIDE

ENGINE HOURS: 98 Hours

TOTAL CASES: 23

BOATS CHECKED 123

7-Butterflying In Closed Season

1-Trawling Inside Waters With Oversize Double Rigs

6-No Commercial Fisherman's License

2-No Commercial Vessel License

1-No Gear License

3-No Running Lights

1-Not Abiding by Rules and Regulations by Commercially Taking Speckled Trout  
in Closed Season

CONFISCATIONS

6 Butterfly Nets, 2-50 foot Trawls.

NOTE: RIP TIDE IN REPAIR

OPERATION GAME THIEF

STATEWIDE

108 CALLS RECEIVED ON OGT HOTLINE FOR MONTH OF JULY

(Complaints under investigation)

1,055 CALLS SINCE JANUARY 1988

## ANNUAL BOATING SAFETY REPORT

Louisiana is a vast maze of rivers, streams, bays, bayous and lakes. Some 6,835 square miles of embanked waters with 39,349 linear miles of flowing rivers and bayous encompass its inland system. Our coastline includes another 1,031 square miles of territorial seas which boardens our interest in maritime activity. This system host recreational activities for 311,121 registered pleasure boats with an estimated boating public of about 1.9 million people. Another 200,000 documented vessels and nonmotorized vessels engage in water related activities and are becoming this states fastest growing concern.

Because Louisiana is so wealthy in natural resources, fish, shrimp, oysters, wildlife, it is common for vessels to serve as platforms for many numbers of activities in this State. This is of primary concern to this Department in wintertime activities after the traditional boating season has dwindled. Our figures prove that boating in this State is a 12 month activity and has to be continuously monitored and supervised.

The final tally of our 1987 boating record shows some 55 people were killed in boating related accidents and another 75 were injured. These figures represent a slight decrease over 1986 and reflect a sharp decline in two boat collisions over the preceding year. Also these figures represent an extended warm weather season with unseasonably warm weather beginning in March, 1987, and holding until late November.

The geographics of boating accidents in 1987 changed drastically. Areas that had traditionally hosted the greatest number of accidents showed great decreases while the more rural rose sharply. We believe this was a result of our patrols targeting the more popular areas and hence not solving the problem but moving it to other areas. This lends much evidence to the fact that boating programs must be broad based with equal distribution of personnel and equipment both for enforcement and education.

In 1987 the State suffered yet another year of economic depression due to the low cost of oil. This related to our budget in not having the funds for new acquisitions of boats, motors, and trailers, though we were able to repower some 14 boats with new motors. We also repaired and maintained our fleet of 209 boats which kept them operating for the year.

While our budget should have risen with the increase in registration fees from \$5 to \$15 every three years, the funds were offset by a \$720,000 rise in liability insurance and a 10% budget reduction ordered by the Governor. This set back allowed only for sustaining services and not program expansion. Our Department does not receive a portion of the motorboat fuel tax in this State but that is one of our prime objectives in the future.

The Boating Safety Program in Louisiana is hosted by a dual role agency. Our Department is responsible for both conservation efforts of fish and wildlife, boating safety. For us to continue to strive for balance in our roles it is imperative that we continue to receive adequate funding and recognition for the program. Several obstacles must be overcome for our personnel to truly deliver the program our public deserves. They are:

(I) To provide more personnel who are totally dedicated, (funds and duties), to the boating safety program. Although last year we created new positions for three accident and stolen boat investigators and three (3) education instructors, we need another ten (10) full-time personnel to affectively administer the program. These positions would allow for a needed titling law in the administrative end and for expansion in education and "expert" type enforcement investigators in all deserving areas of the state. This would cover education, administrative and enforcement duties which are now being diluted because of other duties.

(II) To provide the level of training which allows the maximum utilization of the existing personnel. Because we are a dual role agency, it is important that we supply each of our educators and enforcement officers with adequate training.

It is very costly to provide training in the bulk form that is required to fulfill our job requirements. We would hope that this training could be assembled in-house as was our Accident Reconstruction School which is sponsored yearly. But until each of our personnel achieves the same level of training as our "best", we are working with a handicap. This year we expect to provide training in some form to each of our officers through:

- (A) Yorktown - National Boating Safety School - 6 Officers
- (B) Louisiana - School of Accident Reconstruction - 10 Officers
- (C) Florida - Maritime Institute - 4 Officers
- (D) Louisiana - Alcohol Detection - 25 Officers
- (E) Louisiana - Horizontal Gaze - 10 Officers
- (F) Louisiana - Seminar on Stolen Boat Recovery - 209 Officers
- (G) Louisiana - Marine Officer Survival - 209 Officers

(III) To provide for four more alcohol detection teams. Currently we work two full-time teams in problem areas of the state. These teams consist of five men each and work on a revolving basis. It is our desire to totally cover the state with these teams and have them as normal patrols assigned in their local areas.

(IV) To instill an accredited boating education program into every Louisiana high school. I believe the enforcement duties of tomorrow could be significantly lessened if we could modify the behavior of our young people before they become the future boating public.

(V) To rectify the existing boating laws. This year Louisiana will re-address our D.W.I. law because of a recent negative court decision. We will also attempt to require the wearing of a P.F.D. in boats less than 16' which will eliminate the use of Type IV P.F.D.'s as a primary device. It will also be our intention to design specific guidelines to protect our Department from liability while monitoring special marine events.

(VI) To fully organize and create a standard of training and cooperation with all local entities involved in boating safety. This will allow for broader base coverage in both law enforcement and education throughout the state. Already we have trained and lent support to some 32 different agencies. This number is soon to rise sharply with our intention to create

the Louisiana Association of Marine Officers which will organize our efforts.

To realize the above accomplishments would significantly increase the productivity of our program. I also believe that boating related fatalities can be reduced by one-third with the enactment of the law requiring wearable P.F.D.'s on vessels less than 16 feet. Neither would it be unreasonable to believe that fatalities could decrease by another one-third by gaining compliance to the D.W.I. law. However, as you realize all the actions mentioned above are in direct proportion to available funds. The two factors that control all of our programs are equipment and knowledge, unfortunately they are both controlled by funds.

At a time in this state when services, training, travel, and equipment are being severely cut our boating safety program is being allowed to continue without serious drawbacks.

With the above desires in mind, we will work toward several goals with these funds:

#### Law Enforcement

In 1987, our law enforcement agents issued more than 8,000 violation citations in boating. This is a figure which is more than 2,000 less than for 1986. Probably one of the reasons our case load was down would be attributed to our targeting of problem areas with continued high visibility. We hope to continue this effort while "beefing up" our surrounding area patrols for this year.

Search and Rescue cases were up for 1987. With the expertise of our officers rising sharply in this area and an awareness of the public of these services, we take credit for the saving of nine lives in 1987. Search and Rescue is one of the most costly services provided because of the special equipment and knowledge needed to effectively administer it. However, we have developed several teams involving multi-agency personnel that has immensely helped in this area.

Hopeful funding for 1988-89 in the field of law enforcement should include:

- (A) Purchase of two new radar units used in Search and Rescue
- (B) Purchase of 21 replacement engines for patrol boats
- (C) Purchase of four new R.B.T. III alcohol detection devices
- (D) Purchase of four camera outfits for accident reconstructions
- (E) Purchase of 13 replacement vessels for field use
- (F) Remodel D.W.I. van
- (G) Repair and maintenance of patrol fleet
- (H) Continued education of field officers

As the Boating Law Administrator for Louisiana I am also obligated to stress the importance of our education program. It has become apparent that law

enforcement only offers a sustaining objective and self-compliance is a necessity if we are to reach our goals. Education is the only long term answer to our problems and is the only relief law enforcement efforts can hope for in the future. My suggestions for the educational program for 1988-89 would be:

- A) Instructor certification of all Department employees in the Better Boating Safety Course.
- B) Development of an accredited school course targeted at two separate age groups. (7-10 years old and 18-21 years old)
- C) Utilization of all enforcement officers as field educators - They are the only link to the individuals who will never be lured into the classroom.
- D) Effective use of the media - Talk shows, public service announcements, boat shows, outdoor writers, etc.
- E) Development of a 15 minute video on boating safety supplied to boat dealers for viewing by boat buyers.
- F) Seriously evaluate the need for a mandatory education program for all boat operators.
- G) Develop a boating safety awareness program for non-operators, children, passengers.

  
Major Charles Clark  
Boating Law Administrator

RESOLUTION  
LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana  
August 5, 1988

WHEREAS, SCR 236 and HCR 235 have urged and requested the Commission to prohibit the out-of-state shipment of alligator hatchlings and

WHEREAS, this Commission has entertained public comment and technical and legal advice on this issue and,

WHEREAS, the Commission does recognize that its permits/agreements under which eggs and hatchlings are supplied to private farmers from Rockefeller Refuge and other state property were issued for the establishment and furtherance of the alligator industry in the state of Louisiana, and


WHEREAS, the same is true of its permits/agreements wherein the Department does not provide eggs or hatchlings but does provide certain services such as collection and incubation, and

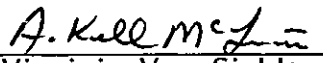
WHEREAS, the Commission further recognizes the need to take any and all measures necessary to protect this once endangered and now important species, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that this Commission does hereby proclaim that any and all out-of-state shipment of hatchlings or young alligators under four feet in length is prohibited.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Commission does hereby direct the staff to send letters to this effect to all such permittees as soon as possible.

THUS PASSED THIS 5th day of August, 1988.

  
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Donald Hines, Vice Chairman

*for*  Deputy Secretary  
Virginia Van Sickle, Secretary

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BUDDY ROEMER  
GOVERNOR

August 4, 1988

Mr. Norman McCall  
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Cameron, Louisiana 70631

Dear Mr. McCall,

This is in response to your request made at the last Commission meeting to investigate the possibility of allowing Mrs. Steed to act as an issuing agent for Commercial License for the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries. The License Division has researched this request and has isolated several serious problems that would arise if this were to be allowed.

First, the Departments' Commercial license operation is managed and maintained through our mainframe computer. For security purposes this department can not allow a private individual to be tied into our on-line computer system, because we would not be able to control access to files and records, therefore, this first option is not possible.

As an alternative to tying Mrs. Steed into our computer system, the suggestion was made to sell her a package of "pre-issued" licenses which she would then resell as needed. This is not a viable alternative for several reasons. Louisiana law requires that commercial fishermen operate with a valid license, not be receipt only. A valid license contains a license number that is issued in sequence by the mainframe computer. Proper accounting and audit procedures require that license numbers be issued in sequence, without any blanks or missing numbers or duplicate numbers. The issuance of blank licenses would totally undermine the integrity of the system and undo our controlled accounting system that works quite well. For this reason we would not be able to issue Mrs. Steed blank licenses.

In addition the issuance of blank licenses would create a situation that would make terrible problems for our Enforcement Division. If an Enforcement Agent stopped an individual to whom Mrs. Steed had issued a manual license, and called this office to verify that the license was valid, we would have no record of the license or the transaction perhaps for several days. Thus, our enforcement efforts would be severely hampered and compromised.



Mr. Norman McCall  
August 4, 1988  
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Another equally serious problem, is created if we were to allow Mrs. Steed to issue license from blanks. This problem relates to the fee charged for commercial licenses. Commercial license fees vary depending on number and type of gear used by a commercial fisherman, and by state of residence. Given the volume of possible combinations of gear and residence variations it would be impossible to determine how much to charge Mrs. Steed for licenses issued in advance. This would create an additional problem in accounting for sales and refunds if these licenses were issued incorrectly. This is certainly a situation that this departments seeks to avoid.

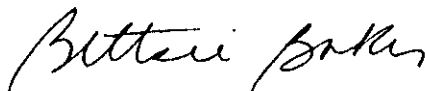
Prior to the new license structure issued in 1987, we allowed individuals outside of the department to assist in issuing commercial licenses. We encountered numerous problems with this and do not feel that it is in the best interest of this department or the state to branch out in the issuances of commercial licenses.

If we were to allow Mrs. Steed to issue commercial licenses from her office we would establish a precedent that would force use to allow other interested parties to handle these licenses also. Since these individuals are not employees of this department it would be impossible for us to maintain control over such operations, therefore, I do not feel that we should allow this activity outside of our direct control.

In addition to the above noted problem, there are legal restrictions and audit requirements established by the legislative auditors office that would make the provision of these services impossible at this time.

We appreciate Mrs. Steed's interest in the Department's activities, however we feel that individuals who wish to fish commercially in Louisiana waters know this in advance and can properly comply with our licensing requirements in a timely fashion. As you know, we offer licenses by mail with a maximum turnaround of 14 days, or immediate dispensing of licenses by going to our Baton Rouge or New Orleans offices.

Sincerely yours,

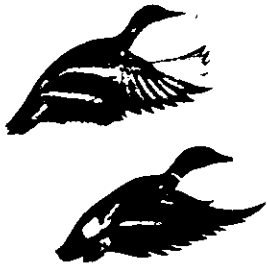


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Undersecretary

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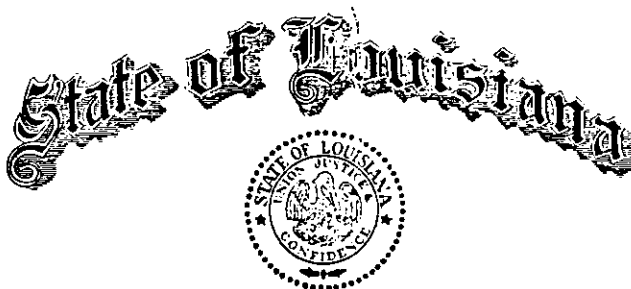
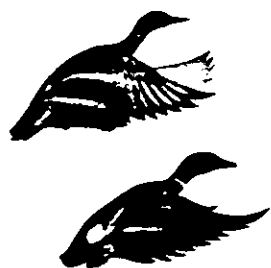
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no items for the August 4-5  
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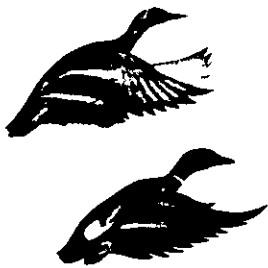
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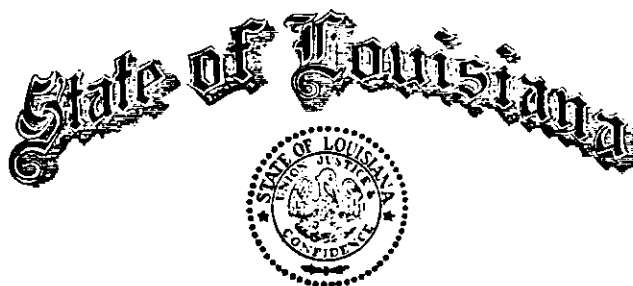
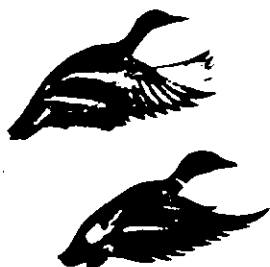
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*Response to Mr. McCall  
RE: Steeds Shrimp House as a  
possible outlet for license sales.  
(Requested in last board meeting)*

Johnnie



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Discussion of Alligator Farming Program  
Alligator Harvest Program Quotas  
Notice of Intent - Fur Harvest Season  
Fur and Alligator Advisory Council - Status Report

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Urgency

- Alligator hatching issue  
Request for Commission  
to put it on August agenda.

- We must have legal  
answers to what is  
possible.

Don is on leave for another  
week

- Could Hall help?

Bob Mero

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July 11, 1988

Ms. Virginia Van Sickle  
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Louisiana Department of  
Wildlife & Fisheries  
Post Office Box 15570  
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Dear Ms. Van Sickle:

It is requested that an item be placed on the agenda for the Wildlife & Fisheries Commission's August meeting to adopt rules and regulations to prohibit the out-of-state shipment of alligator hatchlings under four foot, in accordance with Senate Committee Resolution 236.

Sincerely yours,

JONES, JONES & ALEXANDER

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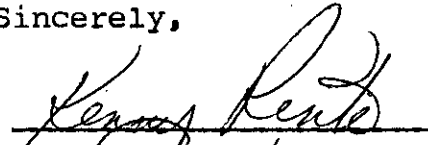
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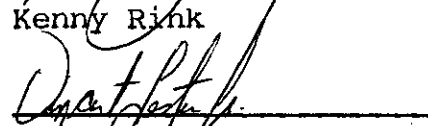
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Dear Virginia Van Sickle

In viewing my recent letter from L.D.W.F. concerning the upcoming alligator season, I read something I'm not especially pleased with, the tag fee which was \$5.00 no matter how many, raised to \$2.00 for each tag. I find this is unjustified. Other hunters I have talked with seem to be equally displeased. I would like to speak with the Commission Members during their session on Friday, Aug. 5, 1988 to discuss this problem.

Sincerely,

  
Kenny Rink

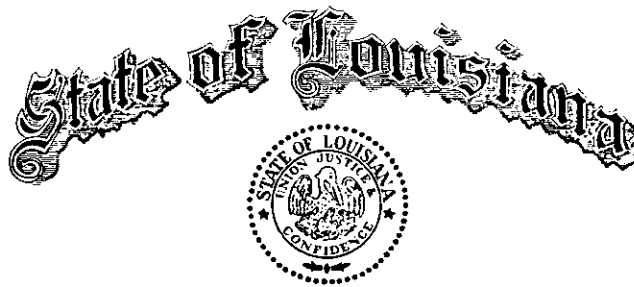
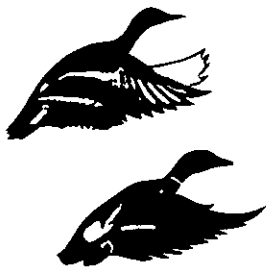
  
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